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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

MASAHIRO SAITOU, ET AL.

SERIAL NO: 09/448,144

FILED: NOVEMBER 24, 1999

FOR: SEPARATOR OF PROTON EXCHANGE FUEL CELL AND ITS
MANUFACTURING METHOD

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: EXAMINER: J. MERCADO

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1745

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2003, the period for response having been extended to December 28, 2003, by a Request for an Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Basis for Amendment** begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

